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southern port, via St. Lucia, or Barbados, for disinfection, with no cargo, water ballast, no passengers, and with no change in the personnel of the crew while in this port.

No other vessels left this port requiring inspection during the period

under consideration.

Mortality in Rio de Janeiro.—Week ended September 16, 1906. Estimated population, 912,000. Total deaths, 231. No cases or deaths from yellow fever for more than 6 weeks. Variola, 1 case; bubonic plague, 10 cases, with 3 deaths. This is a very considerable recrude-scence, and the cause of it is unknown. This is the first time this year that as large a number of cases has occurred in any one week. At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastião 1 case of variola, 4 cases of plague, and 18 cases of illness regarded as suspicious held under observation.

Plague, Campos, State of Rio.—One new case on the 12th instant.

#### BRITISH HONDURAS.

### Report from Belize, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Cooke reports as follows:

Week ended October 4, 1906. Present officially estimated population, 9,000. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	
Sept. 28 Oct. 2	OlympiaFlandria Indianapolis	New Orleans New York via Central American ports. New Orleans	42 36 26	8 4 0	0 8 0	

#### CHINA.

# Reports from Hongkong—Quarantine restrictions—Quarantinable diseases.

Temporary Acting Assistant Surgeon Hough reports as follows: Week ended August 18, 1906. Communicable diseases: Plague, 3 cases, 2 deaths.

Precautions taken at Hongkong during the months of June and July, 1906, for the protection of the public health of the United States, the insular territory, and the Republic of Panama.

#### Month of June, 1906.

Vessels inspected and granted bills of health		39
Vessels fumigated to kill vermin		1
Examined for diseases contemplated in paragraphs 29 and 67 of the Quarantine		
Regulations:		
(a) Personnel	3,	292
h Passangers	1	083